

REMARKS

This case has been carefully reviewed and analyzed, and reconsideration and favorable action is respectfully requested.

The Examiner states that the application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention as follows:

Species I : Figures 4-6;

Species II : Figure 7; and

Species III : Figure 8.

The Examiner also states that Applicant is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. Currently, no claims are generic.

The Examiner also states that Applicant is advised that a reply to this requirement must include an identification of the species that is elected consonant with this requirement, and a listing of all claims readable thereon, including any claims subsequently added. An argument that a claim is allowable or that all claims are generic is considered nonresponsive unless accompanied by an election.

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement, the Applicant has chosen the species as follows:

Species I (Figures 4-6) corresponding to claims 1-12, as those claims to proceed with prosecution.

By this amendment and response, claims 13-20 have now been cancelled

from this case without prejudice and traverse.

The election by the Applicant of Figures 4-6 corresponding to claims 1-12 is made without prejudice and traverse.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that the application readable on the elected species will be in a condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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